

W. G. Mize, Former Village Head, Dies



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Funeral services for William Gobel Mize, 69, former Baptist Children's Village superintendent, were held at First Church, Jackson, at 10 a.m., Saturday, February 22, with Dr. J. N. Triplett and Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins officiating. Interment was in Lakewood Memorial Park.

Mr. Mize died unexpectedly Friday morning, February 21, at his home, 5474 Pine Lane Drive, Jackson.

He was a native of Kentucky, but had been a resident of Jackson for the past fifty years. Nine years ago, he retired on the 25th anniversary of his becoming superintendent of the orphanage. Mrs. Mize had for the same length of time served as assistant superintendent of the institution.

All save one of the buildings on the old campus of the orphanage on Woodrow Wilson Drive in Jackson were built during his administration, without incurring any indebtedness. Endowment funds and a building fund were established.

The trustees of the Children's Village, at the time of his retirement, stated, "We recognize that the Mizes' greatest contributions have been in the lives of the girls and boys who have gone out of the institution."

Mr. Mize was active in denominational affairs. He served as general vice-president of the Child Care Executives, SBC, as their regional vice-president, and as vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

He had been a deacon of First Baptist Church for 37 years, and was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public Schools from 1960-65.

Prior to becoming orphanage superintendent, he was manager of the Baptist Book Store in Jackson. Earlier he served as education director of First Church, Brookhaven. He attended the University of Mississippi.

Survivors include his wife, the former (Continued on page 3)

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De-Emphasis Of Pre-SBC Meets Urged By Criswell

NASHVILLE (BP)—The president of the Southern Baptist Convention, expressing concern about attendance trends at the annual meeting of the SBC, suggested here that the pre-convention meetings held in conjunction with the SBC be de-emphasized.

Speaking to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, SBC President W. A. Criswell of Dallas said that by the time the pre-convention sessions are over, those who attended have been "bled emotionally dry."

Instead of emphasizing five different "conventions" in addition to the annual session of the nation's largest Protestant denomination, Criswell urged the program planners for the five group meetings to cooperate in making the SBC meeting more powerful and meaningful.

He urged the convention program planners to admit that "it is not possible any more to have these long, extended conventions."

Criswell, pastor of the 14,000-member First Baptist Church of Dallas, used three words to describe the annual cluster meetings at convention time: "anti-climactic," "fragmentary," and "aimlessness."

He cited trends nationally for big conventions to be shorter. He noted the tendency of many Baptists to skip the closing sessions of the SBC.

He suggested joint planning by the committees that outline the program of the SBC and the Woman's Missionary Union Convention, and even the possibility of pooling resources to bring outstanding speakers to both meetings.

Citing the organization of the SBC and past history, Criswell said that concern for missions ought to bind all Baptists together when they meet for their annual sessions.

Criswell reserved his strongest words for the SBC Pastors' Conference which precedes the SBC each year, and the Evangelists' Conference that usually meets on Thursday afternoon.

"My impression of the Pastors' Conference and Evangelists' Conference is that they are just having a preaching marathon," said Criswell, who added he was a frequent preacher at both meetings.

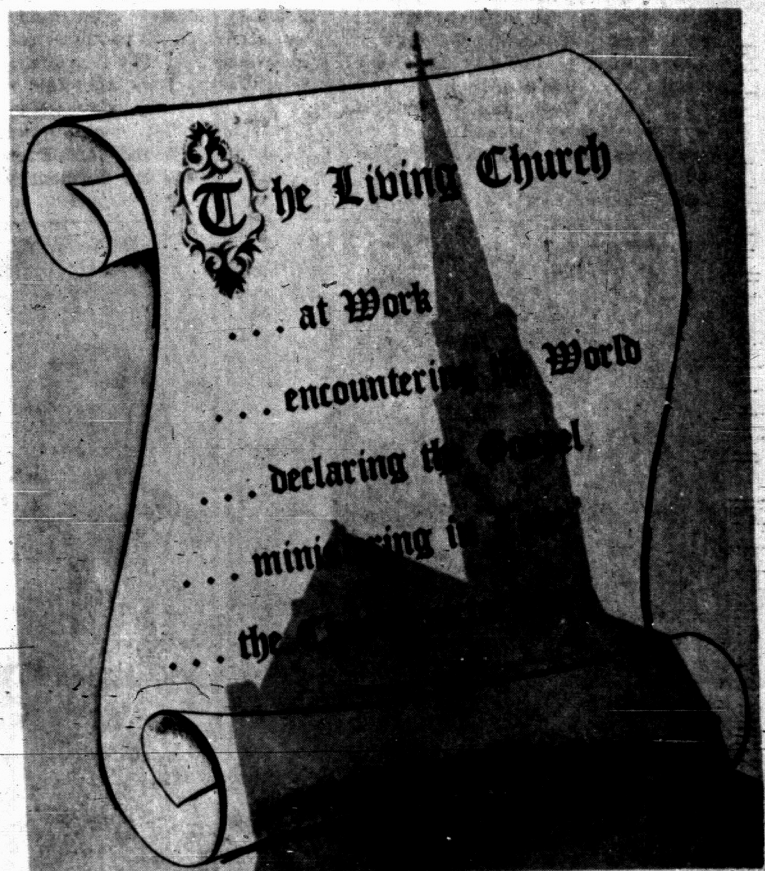
"They're just up there feeling good, God bless them for that—I need to feel good—they're up there saying marvelous words, but we're not going anywhere," Criswell declared, drawing both laughter and applause.

"We love that convocation—why, I love to hear a gifted preacher preach. . . . But as surely as God lives in heaven, we are taking the energies of our Southern Baptist people, its leaders, its pastors, its people, and we are channeling it in an aimless way."

"And when the time comes to get down to do something," he added, "the people are all gone. They have washed out. They've been bled emotionally dry."

As a solution, Criswell proposed that the Woman's Missionary Union begin their convention on Sunday, and that the leaders of the four other groups jointly help plan a SBC program that is "powerful and meaningful."

"We don't know what a blessing it would be to take all of the energies of our convention and channel them all toward solving and facing some of the tremendous, overwhelming problems of our day and generation," he said.



Week of Prayer for Home Missions March 29, 1969

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

State Goal \$100,000 SBC Goal \$6,500,000

Caudills And Fites Now Resting; Mrs. Caudill Due Minor Surgery

ATLANTA (BP)—The Herbert Caudills and David Fites, finally free from reporters, obviously are enjoying a chance to relax for the first time in nearly four years after imprisonment of the two Southern Baptist missionaries in Cuba.

Fite, 34, out of prison less than three months, is concentrating on "just resting."

"I feel good physically," he said, "but I'm tired and somewhat disoriented to the environment."

Margaret Fite, however, seems to have concentrated on getting housekeeping set up in the home provided

by the Avondale Estates Baptist Church here and in getting her child, drafted established in a comfortable routine.

She must be doing a good job. Called by an Atlanta reporter wanting to talk to James, 12 and John, 10, for a Royal Ambassador magazine article, Margaret agreed to a time and then said: "They probably will have to miss Gra-Y." (a school club group).

Reporters have hounded the returned imprisoned missionaries, but the Caudills and Fites have been careful.

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SBC Committee Ceases Change Of Name Study

NASHVILLE (BP)—After two days of hearing pleas from 19 Southern Baptist Convention agencies, the Southern Baptist Executive Committee quickly adopted a \$27,158,119 Cooperative Program operating goal for 1970, passed a strong resolution opposing possible appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican, and in effect ended its three-year study of change.

The Executive Committee also heard a report from its public relations subcommittee which said it found "no compelling reason" to change the name of the Cooperative Program, and adopted a recommendation suggesting that the 125th anniversary meeting of the convention in 1970 begin on Monday night instead of Tuesday.

In a statement addressed to President Richard M. Nixon, the Executive Committee expressed concern about reports that he might appoint an ambassador or special representative to the Vatican, and told the President the overwhelming majority of the 11 million church members affiliated with the SBC would not favor such official representation to any religious body.

"We urge that you do not assign to any church either the roles or the functions of government," the statement to the president said.

Such an appointment would likely hurt a "new spirit of openness and trust" and "a growing mutual spirit of respect and goodwill among the various religious bodies in the United States today," the statement said. "American representation to the Vatican would not aid our progress away from rivalry and fear."

The proposed 1970 budget, which must be approved by the convention in New Orleans next June, would be

an increase of only \$597,100, granting a minimum two percent cost-of-living increase to each of the 17 SBC agencies which requested budget increases totalling \$5.3 million.

The minimum increase was necessitated by decreases in Cooperative Program giving during the last part of 1968 and the first part of 1969, which cut total contributions to an estimated \$27,560,000 in 1970.

A brief and vaguely worded recommendation from the Executive Committee's administrative subcommittee indicated that the three-year study of changing the convention name has been ended for the time being. The recommendation stated:

"We recommend that the Executive Committee report to the Southern Baptist Convention that studies made during and before the SBC in Houston indicate that there is no gathering of preference around any change of the name of the SBC."

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee, explained later that the recommendation means, in effect, that the Executive Committee will make no further recommendation on the name change, until it gets further instructions from the convention.

During the opening session of the Executive Committee, SBC President Criswell made a strong plea for the annual meetings of the convention be strengthened, and that less emphasis be placed on the pre-convention sessions. He mentioned the possibility of the pre-convention sessions beginning on Sunday, and the SBC beginning "just as soon as we can get there," apparently meaning Monday.

Acting on a recommendation from its administrative committee, the 58-member Executive Committee recommended that the 125th anniversary convention in 1970 at Denver begin on Monday evening.

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Baptist Public Opinion Poll Planned For Papers

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—Plans for a Baptist public opinion poll similar to the famed Gallup Poll were presented here during the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Press Association.

The public opinion poll on current issues is to be conducted by the research and statistics department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, and distributed through the Baptist Press, news service of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Called "Baptist VIEWpoll," the monthly feature will try for the first year to give a cross section of the

views of Baptist pastors and Sunday School teachers on current affairs and issues, the editors of nearly 30 Baptist state papers were told.

Martin Bradley, secretary of the board's research and statistics department, told the editors that the national accounting firm of Peat, Marwick and Mitchell was helping by maintaining all contact with the pastors and teachers polled, to insure complete confidence of the names of those being polled.

Bradley said that contact had been made with the Gallup Poll, and that

George Gallup Jr., was very interested in the Baptist VIEWpoll idea.

Bradley said there would be cooperation between Gallup and his office so that subject matter could be used at the same time by both groups, enabling a comparison between Baptist views and the general public.

Most of the three-day meeting of Baptist editors was devoted to speeches, addresses, and workshop sessions by professional newsmen, editors and printing experts on ways to improve Baptist publications.

Elected new president of the association was R. G. Puckett, editor of the Maryland Baptist, Lutherville, Md. Puckett, former editor of the Ohio Baptist Messenger, Columbus, Ohio, and former associate editor of the Western Recorder in Louisville, Ky., succeeds Jack Gritz, editor of the Baptist Messenger in Oklahoma City.

Elected vice-president was host editor J. Marce Grant of the Biblical Recorder here, and re-elected secretary-treasurer was Don McGregor, associate editor of the Baptist Standard in Dallas.

Principal speakers for the meeting were Sherwood Wirt, editor of Decision magazine, monthly publication of the Billy Graham Association in Minneapolis; and Kenneth Butler, a layout and design consultant from Mendota, Ill., who gave a critique with suggestions for improvement of each of the member publications.

Several North Carolina newspaper

editors spoke of the role of the Baptist editor, generally urging them to be "prodders of conscience," to be "prophets" to be creative in their publications.

Wirt, in two addresses, urged the editors to develop their skills as classic writers, saying he felt they were setting their sights too low. He lamented that Southern Baptists apparently do not have a quality school of writing that does more than trains "backs and scribbles."

Wirt said he believed Baptist state papers were chocking their organs with hard news, and leaving out the Good News, saying they depended too heavily on the Baptist Press, news service of the Southern Baptist Convention.

He said that an evangelistic article ought to be included in every issue to "keep your papers from going flat spiritually." He advocated Baptist papers to be more creative.

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Religious Ed Group Elects Officers, Hears Speakers



Paul Harrell, of Jackson, president of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association, (left), discusses program with two speakers at meeting in Biloxi, Miss Elaine Dickson, of Birmingham, Ala., and Dr. A. V. Washburn, of Nashville, Tenn.



New officers elected are, from left, seated: Ronald Mills, Natchez, president; Mose Dangerfield, Clinton, vice-president. Standing: Paul Padgett, Magee, chorister; Miss Betty Jo Lacy, secretary, and O. D. Randall, pianist, both from Hattiesburg.

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association in its meeting Feb. 20-22 elected new officers and heard several outstanding speakers.

Elected as president was Ronald Mills, of First Church, Natchez; Mose Dangerfield, First Church, Clinton, vice-president; Miss Betty Jo Lacy, First Church, Hattiesburg, secretary; Paul Padgett, First Church, Magee, chorister and O. D. Randall, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, pianist.

The group, meeting at the Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, voted to meet again at the same place in 1970, Feb. 19-21 and again in 1971 on Feb. 18-20.

Paul Harrell, Jackson, president presided over the meeting.

The group heard Dr. Kenneth C. Wagner, director of the Mississippi Research and Development Center, Jackson, tell them that "technological progress and related change of all kinds are developing at a faster rate than at any time in history."

Continuing, Dr. Wagner said: (Continued on page 2)

'Dress A Child At Easter' Drive Launched At Children's Village

Each year at this time The Baptist Children's Village invites individual Baptists and friends of children to participate in the "Dress A Child At Easter" campaign, an effort to provide new clothing, suitable for the warm weather, for the boys and girls under care at Mississippi's Baptist child care agency.

Many inquiries of interested friends have already been received in the Village offices, according to a recent announcement, but not less than 120 additional sponsors are needed, if the 1969 clothing campaign is to be successful.

The announcement has revealed

that "Dress A Child At Easter" has become so popular until the Village now largely depends upon the results of this effort to underwrite its clothing budget for the entire year.

New clothing made available to the children through this project will be worn by them to church for the first time on Easter Sunday, but will insure appropriate Sunday wear throughout the year.

The Village Administration has advised its friends that they may respond to this appeal in any one of the following ways:

By sending cash gifts designated for (Continued on page 3)

Foreign Board To Create New 'Fields'

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in regular monthly session February 13, voted to establish the "field representative plan" of organization in two of its six geographical administrative areas of work. (The plan is already in operation in the two areas of Latin America.)

The action provides for two field representatives for Africa south of the Sahara and two for the area of Europe and the Middle East. The Board action divided Africa into two "fields": (1) West Africa and (2) East and Central Africa. The other area divides naturally into Europe and the Middle East.

The field representative is in real-

ity a regional missionary representative. He retains his missionary status but is assigned to a "field" rather than to a specific Mission (organization of missionaries). He stands alongside the area secretary in interpreting Board policy to the Missions and the recommendations of the Missions to the Foreign Mission Board. He keeps in close contact with every missionary family on his field and often serves in a pastoral relationship, sharing in the family's plans and problems. Thus, the field representative plan makes possible a more intimate and vital contact between the missionaries and the Board in its rapidly expanding missionary program.

The Foreign Mission Board also transferred a missionary couple, Rev. and Mrs. W. Neville Claxon, from Nigeria to Dahomey, on condition of residence permits and permission to begin a mission program can be secured from the government of Dahomey.

Mr. and Mrs. Claxon are currently living in Louisville, Ky., where he is on the administrative staff of Kentucky Southern College. They studied French in France before proceeding to Dahomey.

Dahomey 70th Country
This French-speaking West African country brings to 70 the number of countries to which Southern Baptist missionaries are under assignment.

Dahomey, an independent republic since 1960, covers an area slightly larger than the state of Ohio and lies between Togo on the west and Nigeria on the east. The Fon, or Dahomey, people make up about half of the estimated 2,500,000 population, with four other major collections of tribes composing the remainder. Although the history of the more primitive northern people has never been compiled, the Dahomeans date their kingdom back to 1625.

Dahomey was incorporated into French West Africa in 1899. Christianity has made progress among the people of the south, and some in the northeast have accepted Islam. Most others cling to an animistic religion.

In his report, Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, emphasized the parallels of dedicated life and financial resources in mission advance.

He explained that the 1969 budget of \$32,102,119 represents what is required for sending and maintaining missionaries on the field, providing funds with which they are to work and the necessary buildings and equipment. And the current rate of growth requires an additional sum of \$2,000,000 annually in the operating budget.

During the past 21 years the proportion of the Board's total resources applied to the support of an enlarging staff of missionaries has increased from 33 to 42 percent, Dr. Cauthen said, while the proportion for buildings has dropped from 33 to 25 percent. "This fact illustrates clearly that many capital needs are not being met," he pointed out.

Life and Money Needed

Approximately 5,200 persons interested in missionary service are now in touch with the personnel department of the Board, Dr. Cauthen said. "As we challenge these people to devote years of preparation for service overseas, it would be sad indeed if financial resources were to diminish and they found themselves facing closed doors," he continued. "The dedication of life is an inescapable challenge to Southern Baptists to keep under constant review our financial planning, beginning with individual churches and continuing through state conventions, the Southern Baptist Convention, and all aspects of our work."

Dr. Cauthen reiterated the fact that funds for the work of foreign missions come essentially through two sources, the Cooperative Program and the Lotte Moon Christmas Offering.

Enforcement through the Cooperative Program lies at the point of increasing the amount of money that flows into the Cooperative Program from the churches and the state conventions," he explained. "The growth of the Lotte Moon Christmas Offering is one of the most dramatic demonstrations of the desire on the part of the people

in the churches for a greater world mission program that could be given."

The Board transferred the proprietorship of Baptist medical institutions in Nigeria to the Nigerian Baptist Convention with the understanding that title to mission property continue to be held by the Foreign Mission Board. In Nigeria, the term "proprietorship" does not involve ownership, but refers to administrative responsibility.

A stipulation of the official transfer is that the hospitals continue to be supported as private institutions without financial aid from the government.

Transfer "Normal, Healthy"

Dr. Goerner said the transfer of responsibility is a normal, healthy step in the growth the development of Baptist mission work in Nigeria. "The Nigerian Baptist Convention, which is celebrating its 55th anniversary this year, has developed maturity and a sense of responsibility," he said.

The Board appropriated \$15,000 from relief funds for the alleviation of human suffering in eastern Nigeria. This brings to \$85,000 the amount thus far designated by the Board for that purpose.



State VBS Clinic Held At Daniel Memorial Church

Several leaders at State Vacation Bible School Clinic held at Daniel Memorial Baptist Church in Jackson Feb. 17-18 examine VBS materials in Baptist Bookstore Exhibit. From left: Arthur Burcham, and Miss Elsie Rives both of Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, program personalities; Miss Caro-

lyn Madison, associate in State Sunday School Department, clinic director; Dennis E. Conniff, Jr., educational director of host church, and Rev. A. A. Ward, of Carthage, superintendent of missions of Leake Association.

Greene County Crusade Rally To Feature Anis Shorosh

GREENE COUNTY BAPTISTS will have their Crusade of Americas Rally on Saturday night, March 1, at First Church, Leakesville.

The featured speaker will be Evangelist Anis Shorosh of Mobile, international evangelist. He grew up in Nazareth and was saved as the result of Southern Baptist work in that area. After graduation from New Orleans Seminary, he served as pastor of the Jerusalem, Jordan, Baptist Church, before going into full-time evangelism.

The rally will begin at 7 p.m. Music will be under the direction of Dr. Wesley G. Ellis, pastor of First Church, Leakesville, and music director for Greene County Association. The public is invited.

Boddie Added To N O Faculty

Dr. Charles E. Boddie, president of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, in Nashville, Tennessee, will join the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary President H. Leo Eddleman.

Dr. Boddie comes to the Seminary in New Orleans as the first faculty member with his background to teach in any Southern Baptist Seminary. President Eddleman stated that the Seminary has begun employment conferences with Dr. Boddie long before the Southern Baptist Convention issued its statement of concern at the Convention meeting in Houston last spring. He also said the Seminary in New Orleans has been active in the area of human relations for many years.

Dr. Boddie is a graduate of Syracuse University in New York, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, and the University of Rochester. He received the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Keuka College.

President Eddleman has described Dr. Boddie as a man of national and international reputation. He is a recognized leader among American churchmen and has been a member of the President's (U. S.) Commission in Cambodia. He is a former staff member of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Huntington, West Virginia, and holds membership in the American Guild of Organists.

Conference Planned On Moral Problems

Four identical conferences on contemporary moral problems will be held on March 3-7, 1969, according to an announcement by Rev. Rowe Holcomb, chairman, Christian Action Commission.

The programs will be sponsored by the Commission and directed by Dr. J. Clark Hensley, executive director. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., the conferences are scheduled as follows: March 3, First Baptist Church, Lucedale; March 4, First Church, Poplarville; March 6, First Church, Greenwood; and March 7, First Church, Louisville.

Among other items on the morning agenda, which will adjourn at noon, are a film and tract presentation and a discussion of relevant questions with regard to obscenity and gambling. The film "Target Smut", a documentary on Supreme Court decisions as to obscenity cases, will be shown.

Mr. Holcomb encourages church laymen, pastors, staff members and denominational leaders of the area

Revival Dates

Military Church, Sumrall: March 2-7; night services only; Rev. Dale Patterson, pastor of Richburg Church Hattiesburg, evangelist; A. C. Sumrall, song leader; Jan Sumrall and Nancy Evans, pianists; Rev. Herman McAlpin, pastor.

Morrison Chapel, Cleveland: March 2-7; services Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Monday - Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Rev. S. W. Valentine, (pictured), pastor, Southside Church, Jackson, evangelist; Mrs. G. R. Harden, song leader; Mrs. Lowry Dean, organist; Mrs. Lamar Roberts, pianist; Rev. Dewitt Mitchell, pastor.

New Hope (Simpson): March 5-9; Crusade of Americas revival; night services only, 7 p.m.; Rev. Johnnie E. Bridges, pastor; Rev. W. H. Merritt, First Church, Bassfield (former pastor of Whitesand, Prentiss, and First, Raleigh), evangelist.



Broadmoor, Jackson: March 2-9; Dr. Angel Martinez of Fort Smith, Arkansas, evangelist (this dynamic preacher has memorized the entire New Testament; is author of seven books, and for 33 years has averaged better than a sermon-a-day); Homer Tankersley, minister of music at Central Church, Clovis, New Mexico, music evangelist (has made television and radio appearances with The Commodores on Arthur Godfrey, Pat Boone, Ernie Ford, Red Foley, and other shows, and now records for the Beam Company); Dr. David R. Grant, pastor; services nightly at 7:30; and Tuesday-Friday mornings at 10.

mentioned to attend one of these conferences.

Monticello Is Ninth In Per-Capita Gifts

Monticello Church was the ninth in the state in per capita giving to missions through the Cooperative program in 1967-68. The WMU in this church has led the way for many years in missionary education and giving and in planting and nourishing in the hearts of the people a strong desire to support missions.

This vision was given specific implementation in 1964 when the pastor, Rev. James Harrell, led the church to change from a stated amount to a percentage basis of Cooperative Program support. The 2 plus plan was adopted and continued until 1968 when they reached 28%.

During the year the Forward Program of Christian Stewardship was used for the first time. It has been followed each succeeding year with the exception of 1967. At that time a church-Building Fund Campaign was successfully used to raise \$75,000 in pledges to the building program over a three-year period.

The total budget increased from \$27,000 to \$63,000 from 1964 to the present budget. The \$25,000 per cent pledged to the building fund is over and above the regular budget, which means that Monticello Church will receive approximately \$88,000 this year as compared to \$27,000 in 1964. Mr. Harrell resigned from the pastorate of this church in September, 1968, to become affiliated with the Stewardship Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. The church is now served by Dr. Wyatt Hunter as interim pastor.



Founder's Day Held At Sophia Sutton

Fifth annual Founder's Day was held at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly Feb. 18 with Negro Baptist leaders present from every section of the state, as indicated in photo (above).

In center photo Dr. S. L. Richmond, assembly director, is seen greeting several leaders, from left: Dr. Richmond; Dr. Victor Glass, Atlanta, speaker; Dr. Wm. P. Davis, Jackson, president of Mississippi Baptist Seminary, and Dr. S. L. Bowman, Jackson speaker. In lower photo Dr. T. B. Brown, Jackson, vice-president of Seminary, conducts memorial service for late Dr. Chester L. Quarles.



CONTEMPORARY MORAL AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Four Area Conferences — March 3-7, 1969

Sponsored by

CHRISTIAN ACTION COMMISSION

Directed by

Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Executive Director

March 3 — First Baptist Church, Lucedale

March 4 — First Baptist Church, Poplarville

March 6 — First Baptist Church, Greenwood

March 7 — First Baptist Church, Louisville

9:30 a.m. — Mississippi's Fight On Pornography —

What is being done across the state — legislative, educational, law enforcement, citizens groups

10:00 a.m. — Film Presentation: "TARGET SMUT" — a documentary on Supreme Court decisions as to obscenity cases

10:40 a.m. — Coke and Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. — Gambling - pseudo-gambling - Experience in other states - England's Folly, etc.

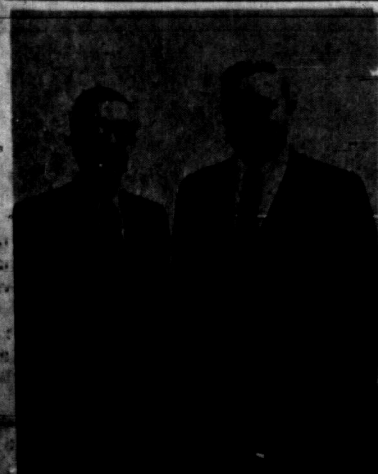
Resources to use in education as to moral issues involved, economic hazards, etc.

11:30 a.m. — Areas of Need in Revival of "Common Honesty"

11:45 a.m. — Discussion

12:00 a.m. — Adjourn

(Church laymen, pastors, staff members and denominational leaders are all invited to these area conferences.)



Hudgins Spends First Sunday 'In The Field'

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, newly elected Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Board, spent his first Sunday "in the field" Feb. 23, speaking at two widely scattered parts of the state. He spoke at 9 a.m. service at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson and is seen



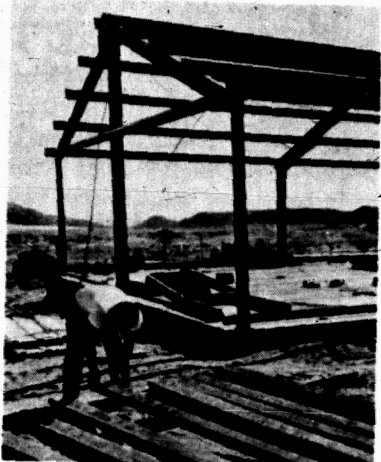
in photo at left with Dr. Joe H. Tuten, Calvary pastor. Dr. Hudgins then spoke at the 5:30 p.m. service at Tyro Baptist Church in Tate County Association, and is pictured in photo at right with the pastor, Rev. Don Stanfill. Dr. Hudgins is at left in both photos.



Medicine for the body, the story of Jesus for mind and soul. Ministry and witness at Well Child Clinic, Baptist Neighborhood Center, Albuquerque, N. M.



... the story of Jesus in sign language. Missionary to deaf talks to boy in Austin, Texas.



... the story in church buildings, storefronts. Better facilities are often the key to effectiveness, as in the Indian mission of Teec Nos Pos, Arizona.



... more than 2,200 missionaries. Missions work is boosted annually by student summer workers like these who are working with migrant farmers in Utah.



New York, where the worship services are translated into three languages simultaneously.



... a place to play, a kind word. In communities where crowded conditions and crime are rampant, the Home Mission Board can step in with Christian social ministries.

Give, Pray For Home Missions

The Living Church...At Work

How are Southern Baptist churches doing in winning those around them? How much are they willing to give in work, prayer, and money to boost their effectiveness?

Southern Baptists will answer these questions March 2-9 during the Week of Prayer and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Theme for the week is "The Living Church...at Work," accenting the cooperative and individual witness and ministry efforts churches are making in the United States.

Goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is a record \$6,500,000.

Ongoing work of the Home Mission Board will get the largest cut of the offering. The first \$4,400,000 is earmarked for support of established programs and missionaries.

The second portion of proposed allocations will go for special projects related to regular work: \$100,000 for 675 student summer missionaries; \$75,000 for US-2 missionaries; \$175,000 for mission buildings; \$25,000 for disaster relief; \$90,000 for scholarships for missionary children; \$15,000 for scholarships for National Baptist volunteers for church vocations.

Project 500, the design to establish 500 new churches in strategic areas, will come in for \$1,500,000 after the ongoing home missions work is secured. The Project 500 allocation is tagged for pastoral aid for new churches and church-type missions.

The last \$150,000 of the \$6,500,000 goal will be set aside for assistance with Christian social ministries in communities with critical needs.

The goal is projected against the 1968 offering, which brought in more than \$4,880,000. The 1968 offering represented a 14.3 percent gain over the 1967 offering, according to Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board. The increase was the largest dollar increase in any one year. Rutledge said, "If we can have the same 15 percent increase in 1969, we will have \$500,000 to invest in Project 500."

Miss Alma Hunt, executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union,

explained the reason for the unusual increase in the offering goal. "When Project 500 was designed, we knew that such an unusual effort in missions would require unusual financial backing. We could not afford to reduce support of the permanent work of the Home Mission Board for this special undertaking. We felt that Southern Baptists would be willing to increase their gifts to match the great opportunity in Project 500. We boosted the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal enough to help cover the expense of Project 500."

Rutledge also explained: "Enthusiasm for Project 500 has been heartening, even though financial support has not been as great thus far as we had hoped. Project 500 was projected on the basis of over and above participation. We are hoping for a very strong rally to this opportunity in 1969. Approximately 150 Project 500 churches are already begun."

George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, said: "The goal can and should be reached. Every man and boy should prayerfully give a worthy gift."

Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood, along with the pastor, are responsible for promoting the home missions emphasis in churches. Women's, men's, and children's missions groups will be having special prayer and giving sessions during the week.

Suggested churchwide observances include banquets, missionary speakers, mission sermons, prayer sessions, and mission study sessions.

These scenes above are the church. Not the fancy building on the corner, but the Spirit-led members in confrontation with spiritual and physical needs of others. These scenes and similar ones flash in hundreds of settings across the United States. They reflect the combined strength of 34,147 Southern Baptist churches who are doing something together for Jesus that they could not do alone.

Encountering the World
The world of home missions includes an estimated 75,000,000 unchurched United States citizens. Also

countless frightened, sick, destitute, handicapped humans who are lost in this world as well as the next. Southern Baptists have linked arms through their Home Mission Board, and are attempting to meet this world with more than 2,200 missionaries and a program that costs them approximately \$10,000,000 a year.

... Declaring the Gospel

The missionaries tell the story of Jesus in French, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Polish, Indian tongues; in sign language; in print; in pictures; and in sophisticated and plain English. They tell it in church buildings, storefronts, street corners, apartments, industries, battlefields, hospitals—wherever people will listen. Wherever they have time and money to go. They carry out vigorous plans to establish new and thriving churches where the people are.

... Ministering in Love

Bread, a cup of cold water, a reading lesson, a penicillin shot, a chance for education, a place to play, a kind word—these are a few ways Baptists show their love for people and for the Saviour. To people they have not met, in cities they have not seen, in places they have almost forgotten, they send their prayers, their representatives, and their gifts.

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Group Ends Name Change

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We further recommend that the Executive Committee continue to study this matter and report to the 1970 convention," said the recommendation.

The recommendation asked that the sections of the convention procedure be set aside for 1970 as a special case in observance of the 125th anniversary.

Subject to approval of the convention in New Orleans, the Executive Committee recommended that the 1974 convention meet in Dallas June 11-14, 1974.

Studies Planned

In other actions, the Executive Committee approved of several future studies, either by special committees or subcommittees of the Executive Committee.

Studies were planned on the philosophy, purposes, basic understandings and promotion procedures of the Cooperative Program; on the relationship between pastoral care programs of Southern Baptist hospitals and seminaries; on the total relationship of the convention to its two hospitals in Jacksonville, Fla., and New Orleans; on the committee structure of the Executive Committee; and on

continuing the study of policy concerning the allocation of earnings of undersigned gifts given to the Southern Baptist Foundation.

Minor changes in the charters, program statements, or articles of incorporation were approved for the SBC Foreign Mission Board, Radio-Television Commission, Stewardship Commission, and Southern Baptist Hospitals, Inc., subject to final approval by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Requests from the Baptist Sunday School Board to publish two new magazines, one for student workers called Collage, and another for pastors called Proclaim, were approved.

Additional office space requested by the SBC Christian Life Commission at the SBC office building here was also cleared.

Loans requests by three SBC agencies — Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, the Radio-TV Commission and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, both in Fort Worth — were approved, but only after the finance committee warned that income from the capital needs section of the budget may not be available to repay the five years.

The finance committee also reported it had received a full report of the action of the SBC Home Mission Board concerning problems of the Kansas Baptist Church loan association, and commended the Home Mission Board for its action.

Tribute was paid to Roland P. Hood, now retired as executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington.

The Executive Committee also requested each SBC agency to supply the SBC committee on boards with a statement on its usage of "local members" of boards, institutions and agencies, to help the committee on boards keep in mind the needs of each agency as they recommend persons for election to the agencies' boards of trustees.

In other actions, the Executive Committee authorized several expenditures from convention reserves, including a \$50,000 allocation to the SBC Stewardship Commission for a pilot project of Cooperative Program promotion; \$12,500 to Religion in American Life; \$7,500 for the completion of the current depth study on Baptist student work; \$6,800 for long range planning in connection with the '70 Onward program; and \$5,000 for the 125th anniversary film of the SBC.

Public Opinion Poll Planned

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pers telling who Baptists are, what they believe, and the plan of salvation. He also urged articles dealing with social issues in an interpretive way, giving what the Bible has to say on such issues of race, poverty, abortion, highway safety, etc.

In business session, the editors approved on first reading a constitutional change which calls for election of a president-elect instead of a vice president, and another making the host editor a member of the program committee.

A resolution commended the Baptist Press, news service of the SBC, and urged more financial support to enable daily mailings of news to the state papers.

Next meeting of the editors will be in connection with the annual meeting of the executive secretaries of Baptist state conventions, in Arizona. They voted to meet in Kentucky in 1970. Texas is the host state in 1972.

State Executive Secretaries Elect Roberts New President

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—The executive secretaries of 30 Baptist state conventions, meeting here for their annual session, elected as their president Ray Roberts, executive secretary of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio, Columbus.

Roberts succeeds Robert Lee, executive secretary of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, as head of the state convention executive secretaries' organization.

Elected vice president was Roy Gresham, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention of Maryland, with offices in Lutherville; and elected secretary was James H. Smith, executive secretary of the Illinois Baptist State Convention in Carbondale, Ill.

The state convention executive secretaries met jointly with the editors of 30 Baptist state papers for an opening banquet, and then went into separate session to discuss internal matters of mutual concern.

W. G. Mize

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mer Clara Ray of Durant; two sons, W. G. Mize, Jr., of Greenwood, and Jerry Mize of New Orleans; a daughter, Mrs. Richard Newman III of Jackson; eight grandchildren; three brothers, Campbell Mize, Terry Mize, and Richard Mize, of Jackson; and a sister, Mrs. Nellie Cain of Los Angeles, Calif.

We let our blessings get moldy, and then call them curses. — Henry Ward Beecher

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

invites you to attend a reception

in honor of

DR. W. DOUGLAS HUDGINS

new Executive Secretary

to be held in the

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BUILDING

Friday evening, February twenty-eighth

from eight until ten o'clock

Easter Invitation: Dress Village Child

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these purposes, either to the general Easter fund or for a named child, with the Village staff using the cash gift to shop for clothing; or by requesting the name and sizes of a child or children, and either sewing for the children so requested or purchasing new clothing and mailing or delivering the gift of clothing to the child at the Village.

According to the announcement, it is suggested that cash sponsors allocate the sum of \$15.00 for children 10 years of age and younger; \$25.00 for children between the ages of 10 and 14 years; \$35.00 for children of high school age; and \$45.00 for Village children who are in college.

It has been pointed out that individuals desiring to contribute lesser sums may undertake partial sponsorship of a Village child and be combined with other partial sponsors to supply the individual clothing needs of the child.

Village authorities have also advised that while gifts of cash or clothing are equally acceptable, cash sponsors for boys usually result in a better fit, since with the help of a cash sponsor, the Village staff may take the boy being sponsored to a store for fitting.

Contact Village

Interested individuals are urged to make contact with The Baptist Children's Village for further details at P. O. Box 11308, Delta Station, Jackson, Mississippi, 39213 or by telephone

at Jackson, 922-2242. Names and complete size information on individual children will be furnished upon request.

Superintendent Paul N. Nunnery has stated that second only to the Christian Home Week and Mother's Day appeal to local churches for operating support, "Dress A Child At Easter" represents the most important and helpful effort of the year for the Baptist Children's Village and the neglected and dependent children under its care.

Deacon's Rites Held At Thomastown Church

Paul Edward Blalock, Sr., 60, of Thomastown, died February 3, at Montford Jones Memorial Hospital, Kosciusko, following an illness of three months.

Funeral services were held February 5 at Thomastown Church. Officiating minister was Rev. J. N. Nolan.

Blalock, a native of Leake County, was a salesman for J. H. Oliver Company of Grenada. He was a member of the Thomastown Church where he served as a deacon.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth McMullen Blalock, of Thomastown; a son, Paul E. Blalock, Jr., of Kosciusko; a daughter Roselyn Black of Thomastown; three sisters; Mrs. J. M. McDaniel of McCamey, Texas; Mrs. J. W. Gunter of Canton, and Mrs. W. P. Bain of Mobile; a brother, A. C. Kean of Baton Rouge, La.; three grandsons.

The Caudills And Fites Are Now Resting

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ful not to say anything that might hurt Baptist missions work that is continuing in Cuba.

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lating to possible mistreatment during his prison term, nor whether their release reflected a thaw in United States — Cuban diplomatic relations.

Concerning hijacks of airplanes to Cuba, Caudill said he only knew what he read in newspapers since he got back, and Fite quipped when asked if either planned a plane trip to Miami: "I'm going to buy a car real soon."

For the Caudills, "the eyes have it," as Mrs. Caudill said here, referring to eyesight problems she and her husband have faced.

Encouragingly, the eye trouble that has dogged Caudill since before the arrest of the two missionaries has been curbed, according to the Atlanta eye surgeon who operated on him in

Havana two years ago.

However, the ophthalmologist — Dr. William S. Hagler — said Mrs. Caudill was developing a similar ailment and would undergo minor surgery in Atlanta after she and her husband return from visiting their son and his family in Tucson, Ariz.

Dr. Hagler operated here on one of Caudill's eyes in 1964, shortly before the arrest of Caudill, Fite and other Cuban Baptist leaders on charges of espionage and illegal currency exchange.

Caudill lost sight in that eye despite the surgery and then developed a similar affliction in the remaining good eye while in prison. He was released conditionally to seek medical

aid and later Dr. Hagler was permitted to enter Cuba to perform the surgery, which was successful in saving Caudill's sight.

The Caudills and the Fites were allowed to leave Cuba in February, about six weeks after Fite was released from prison.

On return from Tucson, the Caudills will settle into a home provided by the Capitol View Baptist Church in Atlanta.

Caudill, at 65, normally would be retired. The Home Mission Board however, is continuing his salary through 1969. Fite, 34, is being given time to consider his next move, while his salary as a Home Mission Board appointee continues.

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JOHN T. ODLE, Editor

GUEST EDITORIAL

'Simple—But So Effective'

J. I. Chapman
in Ohio Supplement of
The Crusader

One of the criticisms leveled at Dr. Billy Graham is that his answers are too simple for the very complex problems in today's world. These critics hold that there just are no simple answers to the world situation or the dilemma of man in today's world.

Surely we affirm that there is danger in over-simplification. We also agree that we cannot meet today's needs with yesterday's solutions. We have to view the world as it is and we have to come to terms with all of the factors involved—economic, sociological, psychological, cultural—to mention just a few areas that have to be considered and evaluated.

Having said all of this, however, and affirming the need to be both realistic and face facts as they are, it is also true that on many occasions history has substantiated the truth that there are times when simple answers do solve complex problems.

"Christ is the answer!" What a simple statement! How absurd to make such a statement to our sophisticated generation that seeks sophisticated answers to life's problems; yet, the fact of the matter is that many people over many centuries, including our own, have come to Christ with very complicated and complex needs and have found in Him the key to life's greatest need!

"THE BIBLE says!" How juvenile can you get? Who, with any intellectual background would suggest that this book, written so long ago, by men in different ages, would have any meaning, relevance or authority today? Yet, who can count the number of folk in our own age—and every age—who have discovered in the Bible the truth of God that has come from the depths of sin and evil? Who would estimate the number who have found reality and truth in the Bible? Vast numbers have found in His word "... a lamp unto their feet and a light upon their way."

"Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved!" In a day when a person who does not have his own psychologist, or who has not been psycho-analyzed is just not with it, how utterly foolish to affirm that belief and personal faith in Christ is that which makes for spiritual wholeness! The fact remains, however, that from the days of Christ unto this very hour, those who have turned from their own efforts to save themselves and in simplicity of faith have accepted Christ as their personal

Savior and Lord, found the peace that does pass understanding and release from their guilt and sinfulness.

IT MAY WELL be that there is danger in thinking that only complicated answers can solve complicated problems. Perhaps it is still true that the proclamation of the gospel is foolishness to the world; but in reality it is the power of God to reach men where and as they are, in redeeming love. Perhaps the truth of the matter is that the deep and evasive problems of race, war, rioting and social injustice cannot be solved except in the simplicity of the gospel message of regeneration, renewal and rebirth. It may be that all of our talk and effort to reach and change the power structure fails because in the final analysis, basic attitudes and prejudices cannot be solved except by the change of a person from within!

In the heyday of the Roman Empire, when the rich were becoming richer and the poor poorer; when evil and oppression of the common folk hit an all-time low; who would ever have dreamed that the answer to their problems came in the birth of a child in a stable in Bethlehem? Yet it pleased God then, and it may well please God now, to confound the wise, the mighty, the powerful and the sophisticated with a very simple and uncomplicated answer!

The church must not withdraw from the great problems of today, nor can it isolate itself from the hurts and needs of today's world. Surely we must not allow ourselves to give trite answers to the tremendous and complex problems of today.

ON THE OTHER hand, the church must not forget that it is the reservoir of the simple but dynamic faith in the power of God in Christ, acting in and through individuals to overcome evil and bring justice, righteousness, wholeness and salvation.

In the simplicity of childlike faith, I affirm my confidence and conviction that Christ is the answer; that God does hear and answer prayer; that the Bible is the word of God containing the truth that shall set us free. I affirm my complete faith that there can and will be a new and better day when and as Christ becomes Lord and Savior of those, who by faith will receive Him. Because these simple truths form the heart and core of the gospel, the mission of the church and the message of the church must focus here.

It is because of, and in, this simple faith that I find hope, encouragement and the assurance of a new and better day. It is in the sharing of this faith I find the tasks God has for me to do.

"QUOTABLES"

Selected by the editor from contemporary thought and opinion

I CANNOT DO IT ALONE; the waves run fast and high, and the fog close chill around, and the light goes out in the sky; but I know that we two shall win in the end—Jesus and I. Coward and wayward and weak, I change with the changing sky. Today so eager and brave, tomorrow not caring to try; but He never gives in, so we two shall win—Jesus and I.—Dan Crawford.

As long as young men have things to say which most people do not want to hear, they will have to write books.—Robert Nathan.

There are only two lasting bequests we can leave our children. One is roots; the other wings.—Hodding Carter.

Reveal thy presence now, O Lord, as in the Upper Room of old; break thou our bread, grace thou our board, and keep our heart from growing cold.—Thomas Tiplady.

Who builds a church within his heart and takes it with him everywhere, is holier far than he whose church is but a one-day house of prayer.—Morris Beer.

Even if you are on the right track, you will get run over if you just sit there.—Extension News.

You can't control the length of your life, but you can control its width and depth.—Extension News.

The devil never feels quite so pious as when masquerading as an angel of light.—Extension News.

To make mistakes is human; to repeat old mistakes is stupid.

Big jobs usually go to men who prove their ability to outgrow small ones.

The spirit of Christianity is not to impose a creed, but to share a life.

A lie is a coward's way of getting out of trouble.

The man who makes his own god wouldn't want to be left with it in the dark.

When an optimist gets the worst of it, he makes the best of it.

One way to break a bad habit is to drop it.

Unpleasant may drive you to prayer, but prayer will drive away unpleasant.

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

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Thursday, February 27, 1969

Sound Medical Advice

PROVERBS 14:30

'A MIND AT EASE IS LIFE AND HEALTH'—NIGHTINGALE

'A RELAXED ATTITUDE LENGTHENS A MAN'S LIFE'—TODAY'S LIVING

'A TRANQUIL HEART IS THE LIFE OF THE FLESH'—AMERICAN STANDARD

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NEWEST BOOKS

WITNESSING LAYMEN MAKE LIVING CHURCHES by Charles Moore and William S. Tangel (Word Books, 207 pp., \$4.95).

This book tells the story of how a program of lay witnessing is giving churches in Houston, Texas a new lease on life. In simple, direct language, the book tells what this witnessing is, its New Testament theological basis, and its practical effectiveness. The co-authors are an Episcopal priest and Methodist minister.

THE DRAMA OF THE CROSS by J. Eugene White (Baker, 111 pp., \$2.95).

Eleven sermons on events leading up to the crucifixion, the event itself, and things which followed. The author probes into the meaning of this central fact of history, and opens that meaning to the understanding of his readers.

IS THE BIBLE TRUE? by Allen Bowman (Good News, 64 pp., paper, 50c).

A "one evening" condensed book from the larger original. This author believes that the Bible is the Word of God and is true. He shows how this is confirmed in many ways, including Prophecy, Archeology, etc.

DON'T LOOK NOW, But Your Personality is Showing by Ethel Barrett (Regal, 297 pp., paper, 95c).

A compilation of a series of talks given by the author in Leadership Training conferences and college chapels throughout the country. She makes the reader take a long hard look at himself, but he will have fun doing it. This is a delightful discussion of personality problems which will be helpful to every Christian leader and potential leader.

SILENT SATURDAY by R. Earl Allen (Baker, 98 pp., \$2.95).

Ten messages which magnify Christ and the cross; written by the pastor of Boca Heights Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas.

TUNE IN! (Tyndale House Publication, Wheaton, Illinois, paperback).

A teenage edition of John from The Living New Testament as developed by the editors of Campus Life Magazine, Youth for Christ International. Paraphrase by Ken Taylor. Profusely illustrated with photographs. Photo layout by Joan Nickerson.

ON THE MORAL SCENE

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, INC.

"Two months ago, commercials appeared on French television for the first time. They are limited to two minutes per day on one channel. Labor and tobacco commercials are banned. Since more than 700 advertisers are clamoring for video exposure, it appears likely that next month advertising time will be increased." (Parade, 12-15-68)

"If there were no such things as car loans there would be no traffic jams. The biggest owners of American cars are not motorists—they are banks and other lending institutions. This year, for example, banks, savings and loan institutions and credit unions bought about six million automobiles for the general public to operate. Every year this is true of about 70 percent of the new cars sold. Today, banks and the other major lenders have over \$35 billion invested in cars, new and used. That's one third of all the credit-borrowing Americans, excluding home loans. All of which is to say that more than two thirds of all American auto buyers purchase their cars on the installment plan. The interest they pay runs to more than \$2.5 billion a year." (Washington Post, 12-1-68)

Faith vs Adversity by J. G. Allen; Led to the Slaughter By A Judas Goat by J. G. Allen. (Published by the author, and now being sold by Desoto Baptist Association, P. O. Box 581, Hernando, Miss. Paper, 39 pp. and 54 pp., both books for \$1.00)

Here are two books written by a deacon of the First Baptist Church, Horn Lake, Miss. The first is a story of his life of faith through experiences of adversity, and God's deliverance and blessing. It is an inspiring story of how God had led and blessed this deacon and his family, and will be helpful to any reader, as he faces the problems and burdens of life. The second book is filled with messages by this deacon on various aspects of Christian life. Each is built around a practical, homely illustration, and the author makes the applications clear and direct. The author has published these books and paid for them, and have given them to Desoto Association, so that the entire sale price goes to the association's mission program. Mr. Allen is known by many Baptist laymen and leaders in Mississippi, where he has made mission trips with Brotherhood men and others, and has spoken in many churches. Elsewhere in this issue of the Baptist Record is an advertisement of the books, and a blank for ordering them.

PAUL, SERVANT OF JESUS CHRIST by F. B. Meyer (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, \$1.15, 158 pp. a reprint)

In this helpful biographical study F. B. Meyer relied more on the Epistles than on the book of Acts to describe Paul's life from within as it appeared to himself.



"Faith Cometh By Hearing..."

"... Faith cometh by hearing, and hearers are giving God's word to hearing by the word of God." (Ro-people of all races in our land, (Home means 10:17) Your 2,385 home mis-Board Photo)



Quiet Talks ON RELIGION IN LIFE

CHESTER E. SWOR

In our day of perpetual advertising pitch to women, a woman who wants to retain the distinctiveness which sets her apart so gloriously from the other parts of God's creation is obliged to close her ears and eyes and listen only to her wise womanly heart.

Over radio and TV, through the newspapers and magazines, and by so many of her contemporaries, she is urged to smoke, to drink, to dress immodestly, and to "live it up" generally.

Following The Pied Piper

Because I am in constant travel and am obliged to dine in a great number of public dining places, I see thousands of women every year who have followed the "Pied Piper" of conformity, but I do not find that they have found real happiness. It's written all over their faces that they are wearing themselves out in the attempt to be modern, chic, smart, sophisticated, and "released from the bondage of traditional womanhood."

As they draw deeply on their cigarettes, or sip their beer, or drink their cocktails, or talk loudly about the colossal trivialities of their lives, the lines in their foreheads deepen, the tenderness goes out of their faces, and there is an emptiness which even the heavy cosmetics cannot hide.

They are not happy with themselves, they are not an inspiration of the sort God intended them to be to their husbands; and they are, most surely, not the exemplary influences which God meant them to be to their children.

Be A Woman Without Apology!

Despite all the forces which tug you in the direction of becoming "just another woman" instead of being a truly wonderful woman, why not be intelligent and courageous enough to be a womanly woman in your habits? Whatever cheapens your life is sure to hurt not just you, but many who look to womanhood for inspiration and strength.

Dare to be a woman in dress. Of

OVERSEAS MAIL EMBARGO LIFTED

All types of mail, including parcels, may now be sent to missionaries in Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board was notified February 17.

Settlement of a longshoremen's strike in New York permitted the Post Office Department to lift an embargo on surface mail which had been imposed early in the strike. Airmail has not been interrupted.

Mail which was returned to the sender with a notation that it was not deliverable because of the strike may now be sent again. No additional postage is necessary, but postal officials said the sender should mark through the notation that indicated it could not be delivered.

course, there are times and circumstances in which attire other than the conventional dress is both suitable and acceptable; yet, the plague of women in public places in uncompromising get-up and in outer space hair curlers has done much to topple women from the pedestal of charm and grace of which they are so capable.

Be unapologetic to be "just a woman." Be unashamed to reply to the question, "What do you do?" by saying proudly, "I am a wife and mother, and I find that the most wonderful career in the world."

You may not be the best-dressed or the most photographed or the most talked - about woman in town; but, bless you, you will merit the most gratifying title available to women: you'll be a wonderful woman, the finest thing God ever made!

(Published by special arrangement with Dr. Swor)

EDUCATION WHAT'S HAPPENING

THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, INC.

Paul L. Dressel discusses "The Meaning of a College Education" in the December issue of The Journal of Higher Education:

"Too frequently statements of college objectives are platitudinous exercises in pedantry."

Dressel sees six as being central. The student should:

- (1) Know how to acquire knowledge and how to use it.
- (2) Have a high level of mastery of the skills of communication.
- (3) Be aware of his own values and value commitments, and be aware that other individual and cultures hold contrasting values which must be understood.
- (4) Have awareness, concern, and a sense of responsibility regarding contemporary events, issues, and problems.
- (5) See his total college experience as coherent, cumulative, and unified... to the fulfillment of his obligations as a responsible citizen.
- (6) Be able to cooperate and to collaborate with others in studying problems, formulating solutions to them, and taking action on them.

Dateline 1961: The Department of Education announces radical teaching change. After years of visual aids, stereo language labs, and self-teaching books, a live teacher will be hired — on a trial basis.

Through the Cooperative Program every individual Baptist in every Southern Baptist church which supports the program can participate in every phase of the world mission work the convention is doing today.

Calendar Of Prayer

(This list is not compiled by birth-days.)

- March 3 — Jacqueline S. Campere, faculty, Clarke College; Kathryn Bearden, Baptist student director, Gilroy School of Nursing.
- March 4 — Troy Mohan, staff, Mississippi College; Everette Reeves, staff, Children's Village.
- March 5 — Leon Young, Lauderdale County supt. of missions; Mrs. Susan Woods, faculty, Wm. Carey College.
- March 6 — Lana Yarbrough, staff, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. Ora Calhoun, Baptist Book Store.
- March 7 — Mrs. Betty Barham, Benish Bester, Mrs. Betty Bingham, Mrs. Sandra Brannon, Baptist Building employees.
- March 8 — Brooks Wester, trustee, Baptist Foundation; Evelyn Ayers, staff, Gilroy School of Nursing.
- March 9 — Mrs. W. E. Hannah, state WMU president; Paul Pryor, administrator, Baptist Hospital.

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How Can I Know I'm In Love?

By Russell M. McIntire,
Pastor, First, Clinton

"In a college church, a pastor is asked this question literally hundreds of times by students in each college generation. Through the years there have evolved from these counselling experiences a little test that has been shared with a host of young people. Perhaps it will help you if you find yourself seeking the Lord's will in this most important decision of finding life's partner.

Let me begin by saying that love is basically a commitment of life to another, and I believe therefore that you can fall in love with whom you want to fall in love. The song writers and motion picture writers do not agree. To them love is some sort of reaction which cannot be controlled or directed. It is my conviction that you should fall in love with your head as well as your heart. How sad it is that too often young people become physically attracted to one another, and even physically involved, before they ever put their brains into gear to think about what kind of husband or wife, or father or mother, either of them would be.

One other thing — just because two people are in love doesn't mean that they should marry. One of them might already be married to someone else; or one might be a lazy individual with low ideals and no goals in life; or one

might even be approaching alcoholism. No, just because you are in love doesn't mean you should marry. You might be too young really to be ready for marriage, or perhaps need to first finish your education.

How can you tell if you are in love? Answer correctly and sincerely the following questions. They are not as



Youth Music Workshop

NASHVILLE — Wesley L. Forbis (left) and Grady L. Nutt, will serve as music conductor and pastor, respectively, for the second annual youth music workshop to be held at Ridgecrest, N. C., June 12-18. Enrollment is open to 100 singers and 75 instrumentalists ages 16-24. Deadline for application and a \$14 deposit is April 15. Total expense for week, excluding travel, is \$50. Application forms may be obtained from Dan Hall, director, state music department, or from Director, Youth Music Workshop, 127 Ninth Avenue, N., Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

simple as they appear. Study these carefully — each question is loaded with meaning and implication.

1. Does he (or she) offer me the kind of life I want? (Socially, morally, economically, vocationally, religiously.)
2. Would I be proud to introduce him (or her) as my mate? (After the glow of the honeymoon, marriage is a mutual admiration society.)
3. Would I want my children to call him daddy (or her, mother)? (Your children will be just like him (or her).)
4. Do we share the same spiritual goals and ideals? (Your faith is needed most in crisis times. It is important for you to be together here.)
5. Would I want to look at him (or her) across the breakfast table for the rest of my life? (Have your pictures taken when you first get up, in the morning and exchange them. Put the picture on the other side of the breakfast table. If a month later you can still swallow you may have the real thing.)

Are you really in love? Remember, puppy love leads to a dog's life. Love at first sight may simply mean that he's in love and she's a sight!

This is one of the greatest decisions of your life. Seek God's leadership earnestly. Conduct yourself during your courtship in such a way that you can honestly kneel before the Lord on your wedding night and thank God for leading you together and ask His blessings on the home you have established in His name.

"We Three Kings"

Saturday night, February 15, at the Handsboro Church, were the time and place for Gulf Coast association-wide Youth Rally. The program featured "We Three Kings," Doug Verbois, Skip Dean and Mark Sutton, three young men bringing their gift of musical talent to the Lord as did the Wise Men of long ago.

All three are dedicated to Christian service and carry a busy schedule of public appearances while trying to further their education.

A unique folk Gospel group these young men have appeared on television and have performed in concerts and revivals in Oklahoma, Texas, Illinois, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Florida.

U. S. Musicians Aid Netherlands Baptists

Singer Irene Jordan and a handbell choir from Texas and New Mexico will take part in a special evangelistic campaign to be held by Baptists of the Netherlands in March.

Miss Jordan, opera singer, Columbia Records artist, and sister of Dr. Martha Jordan Gilliland, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, will appear in a series of pre-campaign concerts in famous halls of the Netherlands, March 2-9. Her accompanist will be Dr. G. Maurice Hinson, professor of church music at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

The handbell choir, composed of six ministers of music and their wives, will present concerts in Netherlands Baptist churches and assist in special musical features.

SBC Radio Program Aimed At 'Teens

PORT WORTH (RNS) — A new half-hour music-talk program aimed at teenagers has been produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission.

"Powerline" features the song hits of the week from various listings by trade magazine, interviews with top recording artists, and talks about the latest tunes, trends and fads.

A youth counselor gives hints on how to cope with teen problems. The first programs feature Charlie Shedd, author of *The Stark Is Dead* and an authority on teen sex problems.

Today's Youth Forty Students To Be Enlisted To Work In The Northern Plains

In the near future, the Mississippi Pioneer Missions Committee will be enlisting forty Baptist college students to work in Montana and in the other three states of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention, according to Owen Cooper, secretary of the committee.

Rev. John P. Baker, Rapid City, S. D., executive secretary-treasurer, Northern Plains Convention, has written the following letter to Mr. Cooper, concerning this valuable student ministry:

"You and many of the leaders of our Baptist work in Mississippi are acutely aware of the problems and challenges that are ours in the Northern Plains Baptist Convention.

"Our winters are severe. Many of our best planned and most needed meetings are poorly attended or have to be canceled because of hazardous

driving conditions during the normal winter weather. This means that we must intensify our efforts during the summer months in outreach, teaching, and evangelism.

"Therefore, summer student missionaries and their ministry are desperately needed and are almost worth their weight in gold to us. Our Home Mission Board is only able to furnish fourteen workers this year and two of these are doubtful. The expense that would be involved in moving these young people from one side of our convention to the other, east to west or north to south, would be absolutely prohibitive. Neither could these students begin to meet the needs and answer all the calls of our four-state area. They would not have the strength nor are there enough hours in the day. Many mission opportunities would go untouched, many children would not have a Vacation

Bible School, souls would continue in their lost condition. What I am trying to say is that the students perform a vital ministry. We need them and we need them badly.

"Just know this, that the students who have come from Mississippi to join hands with others coming from other areas of our nation each year have been like a breath of fresh air and have year by year left their footprints and influence all over our Convention. We need at least 40 students this year and shall be everlastingly grateful to you and our dear friends in Mississippi for providing them. We thank the families who give up these fine young people for the summer. We thank the churches and the individuals who provide them some small stipend and care for their expenses to and from our Convention and we join you in praying that God will provide the students and the wherewithal."

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"Jamie... when you find out that God is real... and you can know Him, maybe the terrible loneliness we all feel sometimes is just the absence of Him!"

"If Jesus Christ is so full of this power you're supposed to have tapped, how come he lets the church pass Him off as some kind of museum piece?"



600 Girls Attend First GA Congress In Brazil

Almost 600 girls and counselors registered for Brazilian Baptists' first national Girls' Auxiliary congress, held January 20-23 in the First Baptist Church of Niteroi, across Guanabara



Sp4 Richard Barrett

Vietnam Veteran Is BSU Guest Speaker

Sp4 Richard Barrett, a Vietnam veteran member of East Side Church, Pelahatchie, spoke at the University of Mississippi at Oxford under sponsorship of the Baptist Student Union there, Feb. 2.

Sp4 Barrett, now an army reservist and winner of two Purple Heart Medals as an infantry enlisted man, and owner of a Jackson advertising firm, has spoken recently before New Sardis Church, Mt. Olive; East Columbia Church, Columbia; Liberty Church, Pontotoc; Shiloh Church, Calhoun City; Escatawpa Church, Escatawpa; Enon Church, West Point and Arbor Grove Church, Houston. The 25-year-old Mr. Barrett has spoken in schools and churches throughout Mississippi.

He spoke before the Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1967 and has written articles for the Baptist Record.

Bay from Rio de Janeiro.

The event commemorated the missionary organization's 20th anniversary in the country and included presentation of an engraved silver pitcher to its founder and director for 18 years, Miss Minnie Lou Lanier, Southern Baptist missionary. Miss Edna Pinto de Moraes, the present GA director, was in charge of the congress.

Participants slept on mattresses on the floor of the church's educational building and in a nearby school. The GA's produced their own daily mimeographed newspaper, which reported events ranging from the introduction of a recording of the GA hymn in six languages to worship services in which 71 persons registered Christian decisions.

Speakers included Miss Marjorie Jones, GA director for Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. David Gomes, pastor, radio preacher, and director of the Brazilian Baptist Home Mission Board; and Brazilian home missionaries.

The congress was held simultaneously with the 48th annual assembly of the Brazilian Baptist WMU, which registered 674 messengers who reelected Mrs. Olinda Lopes president. The WMU held day sessions; the GA meetings were at night.

Christian Athletes Speak At Calvary

Buddy Wagner of Mississippi College and George Fields of the Jackson YMCA, both members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, were speakers for the youth banquet at Calvary Church, Greenville, on February 14.

The theme was "An Orbital Fantasy." Sixty-seven young people and intermediates were in attendance, according to Rev. Raymond A. Wilson, pastor. The Youth Department presented Bibles to Susan Collins and Lynn Buford, the queen and king of the banquet.

Prof Tells Students: Find It, Do Your Thing

WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP)—"If you are a human being, you are good for something. Man, find out what it is and do your thing," a professor at Union Theological Seminary told more than 350 Baptist students here.

George Webber, author, professor and minister from New York City, urged the students attending the Student Conference on Mission and Ministry at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

"Take off your masks so people can

love you for yourself. Get with another's burdens. Self pity is out."

Webber added that Christians should show others God's love. "There is no point in telling people what God has done unless they can see, hear, taste, smell and feel it."

A minister of the East Harlem Parish in New York City, Webber decried dehumanization in the cities.

Relating some of his experiences in a rehabilitation center for drug addicts, Webber said when he asked

what they were trying to do, he was told, "We are trying to make new human beings." Then he replied, "Why, that's my ball game, and the church's."

To play this game, he gave four rules: (1) to love your neighbor, (2) to speak the truth in love, (3) to bear one another's burdens, and (4) to be true to the gospel.

In another major address, Walker L. Knight, editor of Home Missions magazine in Atlanta, said that man seems to have an insatiable desire to

be more than human, seeing himself as possessing a measure of omnipotence, omniscience and omnipresence—qualities which man has attributed to God.

"Why have we limited our quest to be God-like to these qualities that man has ascribed to God, and not to those qualities which God gives to himself?" Knight asked.

Suggesting that Christians should follow the example of Christ's humanity, Knight said that Christ characterized God as "Father"—a father who loves, for God is love—and gave to man the example of servanthood and suffering in faithfulness to God's will.

"Let us search for God-like qualities of the spirit and character and we may achieve, not deity, but authentic humanity," the Baptist editor said.

In addition to major addresses, the conference featured lively discussion periods, refreshments and recreation, special interest seminars and conferences on missions.

A special feature was a "Christian Celebration" which included a worship service in the modern mood of electronic sounds, slogan banners, drama, confession in dialogue, guitar and drums, trumpet and organ, pantomime, and folk participation.

The 350 students attending the conference came mostly from the eastern seaboard states from Maryland to Florida.

attending Georgetown College in Kentucky and Southern Seminary were impressed upon the young prince by his pastor, the Rev. S. T. Oia Akande, a graduate of Southern Seminary. He entered the college in 1963 and graduated cum laude in 1965. His father

Laoye, a theology doctoral student at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, is a member of the Yoruba tribe and Prince of Ede in Western Nigeria. His father, His Highness Oba Laoye I, is a Timi (king) of Ede, a lifetime office which was bestowed upon him by tribal election. The merits of living in America and



PRINCE PLAYS SOCCER—Soccer player John Laoye, a Nigerian prince and student at Southern Seminary, prepares to block the kicked ball.



Carey's Missionary Kids Serve With A Smile

IT'S SERVICE WITH A SMILE in the cafeteria line at William Carey College. Two "missionary kids," Jason Carlisle and Cheryl Watts Clayton help pay their tuition costs by working in Wilkes Dining Hall which is serviced by Morrisons. Cheryl is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Watts of Zurich, Switzerland. Dr. Watts is president of the European Baptist Theological Seminary. Jason is a sophomore elementary education major. Jason is one of 8 MKs of the Robert L. Carlisle family of Uruguay. He is a freshman this year at Carey.

Bay Springs Youth Choirs Present "Evening of Music"

BAY SPRINGS CHURCH recently featured its youth choir in an "Evening of Music." Jimmy Bush, minister of music, directed the program with the assistance of a group of volunteer youth choir leaders. The youth music program includes Carol

Choir, Junior Choir, Primary Choir, Beginner Choir, and Instrumental Ensemble. Rev. D. D. Satterwhite is pastor. Pictured are the youth choir, instrumentalists, accompanists, and leaders.

Jackson Hospital Sends Light To Nigeria

A hospital in Nigeria has a light in its operating room — an item worth approximately \$1,700 — which was given by Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson.

The gift was made after the medical director of the hospital, Dr. Robert Amis, visited Jackson and described the needs to Baptist physicians in the Jackson area.

The hospital is located in the Ni-

ger River delta of Nigeria — in the Nigerian "bush". It is a 120-bed medical and surgical hospital — one of the largest operated by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Amis, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, discussed the medical volunteer program of the Foreign Mission Board. He stressed the need for medical and nursing personnel in his hospital as well as

in the other mission hospitals throughout the world.

One of the five hospitals operated by the Foreign Mission Board in Nigeria had to be closed, he said, because of lack of medical and nursing personnel. Another had to be closed because of the civil war, he added, but he expressed the hope that this one can soon be reopened.

A Jackson physician, Dr. Joel L. Alvis, spent a month last summer

working with Dr. Amis at the Eku Baptist Hospital. He told the Jackson area physicians:

"It is hoped that in the future, other institutions will consider the various needs of the hospitals in the foreign mission field, of which there are now 20 in active service throughout the world. Many of these institutions can use good used equipment, such as autoclaves, beds and operating room supplies."



SURGICAL LIGHT being inspected by (left) Dr. Joel Alvis and Paul J. Pryor, administrator of Mississippi Baptist Hospital, with Dr. Robert C. Amis, Eku Baptist Hospital, and Dr. Joel Alvis, Jackson physician.



PAUL J. PRYOR, administrator of Mississippi Baptist Hospital, discusses shipping of the surgical light given to Eku Baptist Hospital, Nigeria, with Dr. Robert C. Amis, Eku Baptist Hospital, and Dr. Joel Alvis, Jackson physician.



22 Lauderdale Churches Complete Enlargement Improvement Campaign

TWENTY-TWO CHURCHES in Lauderdale Association have just completed an association-wide Sunday school director-led enlargement and improvement campaign. Average attendance in the twenty-two churches for the four

night meetings in the local churches was 826. The association effort was sponsored by the Sunday School Departments of Nashville and Jackson and Lauderdale Association. (Photo courtesy Meridian Star)

Nigerian Prince In U. S.

(Continued from page 5)

"And instead of staying in the palace hoping to be waited on hand and foot we have all gone far and wide to prepare ourselves so as to be able to minister to the needs of our people and our nation in the name of Christ."

The 28-year-old student holds a master of theology degree from Southern Seminary and plans to teach at the seminary level in Nigeria when he completes his doctoral work. One of the top students here, he is in frequent demand as a popular speaker before different groups.

The seminary and college years have not been all work for the prince. He was a track star at Georgetown, winning several medals. This year he has been a center forward on the Louisville soccer club, a professional team which plays in the Indiana-Ohio division of the United States' two year - old professional league. There are two other foreigners on the team, an Israeli and a Hungarian.

Laoye says that he is distressed by the lack of support for the sport in this country, as he is used to performing before a crowd of "at least a few thousand" in Nigeria. He coached high school soccer in Nigeria.

The 6-1, 175-pound forward is modest about his accomplishments. He says he can't tell you the season's record for the club or the number of goals he scored. But his play drew attention from the prestigious Louisville newspaper, *The Courier-Journal*, which recently featured him.

Incidentally, Laoye has also discovered a love for an old American sport — ping pong!

Very few ministers can claim the distinction of having won their wives through a sermon — Laoye met his wife, Alice, while preaching in the streets of Ede on a Sunday night in 1960. A year later, they were married.

The young couple now has three children — two girls, Olajire, six, and Adetokunbo, seven months; and a boy, Abidemi, four.

"In a very short time our children began to speak English, and it did not take long for them to get used to the food, weather, and horses of Kentucky. They love being here — especially playing in the snow, something we never have in Nigeria. We have been trying to remind them of home through Nigerian food, Nigerian dresses, music, and by using both English and Yoruba languages at home," Laoye said.

The Nigerian spoke fondly of his home, Christian background, and friendship with many Southern Baptist missionaries in Nigeria. He relates, "My father is the first Christian in my family. I was born into and raised in a Christian home but I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour at age 19 and was baptized in the First Baptist Church of Ede."

He jokingly remarked that "despite the improved communications, 'I still haven't gotten over the shock experienced when I found out that America is not all cowboys and Indians. Such shock, I am sure, awaits American visitors when they find out that Nigeria is not all Tarzans, and that our streets are not stormed by wild animals.'"

Sunday School

Crusade Baptist Teaching Conferences

March 10-11 — Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo

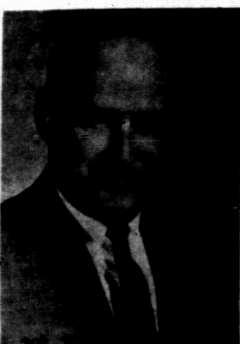
March 17-18 — First Baptist Church, Greenwood

April 14-15 — Ridgcrest Baptist Church, Jackson

April 21-22 — First Baptist Church, Gulfport

April 28-29 — First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg

ADULT CONFERENCES



Dr. Robert Proctor, Jr.
Louisville, Kentucky
Tupelo

ADULT CONFERENCES



Dr. James Williams
Ft. Worth, Texas
Hattiesburg
Gulfport

ADULT CONFERENCES



Dr. Robert G. Bratcher
Nashville, Tennessee
Jackson

PROGRAM SCHEDULES

Begins each Monday night at 7 p.m. General and age group conferences Monday night and at each of the three sessions on Tuesday.

Child Care for pre-school ages at all sessions. Children through eight years cared for in night sessions.

Burketts Establish Scholarship Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Burkett, Sr., of Clinton have established the Roy M. Burkett, Jr., Endowed Memorial Scholarship at Mississippi College in memory of their son killed late last year in an automobile accident near here.

In making the first sizeable contribution to the scholarship fund, Mr. and Mrs. Burkett indicated they wanted a recipient to be a needy and worthy athlete. Selection will be made by the Financial Aids Committee of the faculty, with approval of the Athletic Director.

Young Burkett was killed in an automobile wreck just a few miles east of the Mississippi College campus on the night of November 8. The accident also claimed the lives of four other fellow students, all of whom were campus leaders. They had been preparing for a Student Body Association musical.

A graduate of Clinton High School, Burkett was a class officer and participated in sports with the Arrows. His father is coach of the Clinton High football team.

He participated in a number of activities at Mississippi College and at the time of his death was an assistant in the college bookstore, The Trading Post.

Burkett's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wells of Picayune, while paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Burkett of Columbia.

Friends and relatives wishing

Famed Translator

To Speak At Judson

Famed Bible scholar Robert G. Bratcher, translator of the New Testament as *Good News for Modern Man*, will be at Judson College March 3-6 as speaker for Religious Emphasis Week.

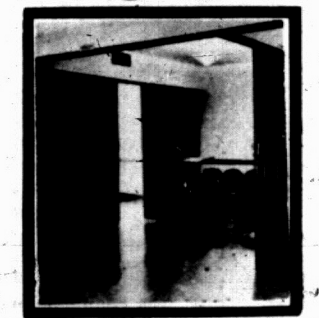
The theme for the week will be "Crisis and Responsibility: Personal Religion."

Dr. Bratcher will speak at chapel programs each morning and at a public forum at 7:30 p.m. March 5.



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Training Union

Thirty-eight Mississippi Baptist churches have already qualified for Merit Recognition in the use of the Training Union Achievement Guide for 1968-69. Four of these have taken the second step in achievement, earning Advanced Recognition.

Churches earning Advanced Recognition thus far this year, in the order in which the applications were received are: PARKWAY, Jackson; TEMPLE, Hattiesburg; HARMONY, Louisville; WHITESAND, Prentiss; and MARION, Lauderdale.

Merit Recognition has been earned by the following churches:
ATTALA: First Kosciusko; CALHOUN: First Vardaman; CLAY: Calvary; COPIAH: First Hazlehurst, Shady Grove, Crystal Springs; DESOTO: Colonial Hills; GULF COAST: Grace, First Lyman, First Long Beach; HINDS: Briarwood, Parkway; JEFF DAVIS: Whitesand; JONES: Highland; LAFAYETTE: First Oxford; LAUDERDALE: Grandview, Marion; LEBANON: Temple; LINCOLN: Clear Branch, First Brookhaven, Southway; MONROE: Meadowood, First Amory; NEWTON: First Union; OKTIBBEHA: First Starkville; PANOLA: Como; PONTOTOC: First Pontotoc, Algoma, Zion, Locust Hill; QUITMAN: Crowder; SIMPSON: Harrisville, Mt. Zion, Pinola; TIPPAN: Chalbyate; UNION COUNTY: Old Oak Grove; WINSTON: East Louisville, Harmony.

It is necessary to qualify on only twenty of the thirty-seven items listed in order to receive Merit Recognition.

Recognition Request

TRAINING UNION ACHIEVEMENT GUIDE

We have completed the following achievement actions. (Circle numbers of items completed.)

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Send recognition certificate to:

Association _____ Church _____

Name _____

Signature: Church T. U. Director _____ Street or RFD _____

Signature: State T. U. Director _____ City, State, Zip _____

Mail this completed request to
Training Union Department
Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Merit Achievement Items

- Each member of the Training Union council has read *The Training Program of a Church*.
- Each member of the Training Union council has read *A Church Organized and Functioning*, revised edition.
- The Training Union provides graded weekly training opportunities for church members and their families.
- The Training Union provides orientation for new church members.
- The Training Union plans efforts to enlist new church members in other training units appropriate to their needs upon their completion of orientation sessions.
- The Training Union plans efforts to discover potential leaders not now in Training Union.
- The Training Union provides training opportunities for potential leaders, in addition to unions in member training.
- The Training Union has conducted at least one special project, such as Youth Week, Church Member Training Week, or Christian Home Week.
- Training Union leaders annually determine and schedule Training Union events and activities in relationship with the total church program.
- The Training Union gave special emphasis in training units to at least two denominational causes, such as Cooperative Program, Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, etc.
- The Training Union director consults with the pastor, church staff, and leaders of other church organizations in planning the Training Union program.
- Training Union leaders participated in at least one association Training Union activity.
- Training Union leaders have contacted (by mail, telephone, request for materials, etc.) the state Training Union department at least once during the year.
- Church general officers and committee members participated in a training clinic conducted by the associational Training Union.
- The Training Union provides organization for graded ongoing training opportunities designed to meet church and individual training needs.
- The Training Union has a council which plans, coordinates, and evaluates the church's training program.
- The Training Union provides organization for the orientation of new church members.
- The Training Union provides organization for at least one of the following:
(1) Potential leader training
(2) Specialized leader training
- The church elected all Training Union officers and leaders according to the church plan.
- The Training Union provides the following leaders for the training program: director, associate director, general secretary, and at least one leader for each training unit.
- Training Union leaders interpreted training opportunities in worship services and church organizational meetings at least once each quarter.
- Training Union leaders met during the year to plan the church's training program.
- Training Union leaders maintain an up-to-date prospect file for use in enlisting persons for training.
- Training Union leaders plan and conduct at least one visitation effort each quarter to enlist persons in training.
- The number enrolled in the ongoing member training program equals one fourth of the resident church membership.
- One half of the church-elected Training Union leaders have received a Church Study Course award for studying the manual for their work.
- The Training Union has provided at least one annual opportunity for all church members to study books in the Church Study Course.
- The Training Union assigns and uses space and equipment provided by the church.
- Training Union leaders studied space and equipment needs for the church's training program and reported findings to the church.
- The Baptist Training Union Magazine is provided for general officers and church-elected leaders of training units.
- Southern Baptist Convention graded curriculum materials are provided for Training Union leaders and members.
- Training Union leaders recommended the establishment or improvement of a church library.
- Training Union leaders determined and requested Training Union budget needed for conducting the Training Union program.
- The Training Union director reports regularly to the congregation according to the church plan.
- The Training Union reports to the association through the annual church letter.
- The Training Union reports annually to the state Training Union department the names and addresses of church-elected Training Union leaders.
- Training Union leaders use records and reports to evaluate the church's training program.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON

Jesus Foretells His Suffering

By Clifton J. Allen
Mark 8:27 to 9:50



Jesus came to serve men and to give his life for their redemption. Up to this point, in Mark's Gospel, the emphasis has been on Jesus' mighty works; from this point on, the emphasis points to the cross.

The Lesson Explained

The Important Question (vv. 27-30)

Who is Jesus Christ? Through all the months the disciples had companied with Jesus, he had been trying to help them know him in reality: who he was, what his life mission was, what his relationship to God was, what his relation to Israel was, and what his relation to all people was. Now Jesus tested the disciples as a part of their training. Tactfully asking, first as to the opinions of others about him, Jesus then probed the disciples as to their own concept and conviction. Peter answered right, speaking for the group, "Thou art the Christ." This means, "You are the Messiah of Israel. We believe you are the Saviour foretold by the prophets long ago." But how poorly the disciples understood the meaning of their confession! Because the disciples understood so poorly the meaning of their confession and because the time was premature for the open announcement of Jesus' messiahship, he charged them not to declare, for the time being, his identity to others. Jesus was still training the disciples for their later mission.

The Must of the Cross (vv. 31-33)

On the basis of what the disciples believed about Jesus, he now began to confront them with the necessity of the cross. He must suffer many things, be rejected, be killed, and rise again. This was the heart of the Messiah's mission—to fill the role of the Suffering Servant, to be the Redeemer. The disciples could not take in the concept that the Messiah would have to die in humiliation. They had never identified the Son of man with the Suffering Servant of Isaiah 53. Peter burst out in protest and with rebuke. For Jesus, the issue was central. Because he was the Messiah, he had to suffer. This accounts for the severity of his rebuke of Peter. Peter was really acting for Satan, because a stumbling block to Jesus, thinking like men according to God's way of thinking or the mission Jesus had come to fulfill.

The Way of Self-Realization (vv. 34-37)

The only way to save your life is to lose it. This was what Jesus now tried to teach the disciples—and along with the disciples others from the multitude. To be a disciple of Jesus involves renouncing the right to control one's life and live for self-interest, being willing to live by the principle of self-sacrifice and to suffer with Jesus for the redemption of men, and following Jesus as the Lord of life. One thus becomes an instrument of the will of Christ.

If one tries to save his life, he will lose it. If he tries to gain the world, he will forfeit his right to real life. Discipleship is summed up in commitment to Christ, in love for fidelity to him. To follow him may expose

one to ridicule and scorn and attacks of an adulterous and sinful generation. But the Christian must be willing to confess Christ in the face of a hostile world, in the face of ridicule and persecution, even at the risk of his own life.

Truths to Live By

Following Christ calls for vigorous faith.—We must see him as the God-Man. We must believe in him as the Redeemer sent from heaven.

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Rev. H. D. Hawkins Dies

Rev. Hardy D. Hawkins, 68, died at Baptist Hospital, Jackson, January 29 following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Hawkins retired from regular pastorate August, 1962, following a stroke. He continued to preach and fill appointments until January, 1968, when he had a complete breakdown and almost lost his voice.

He was helping Mrs. Hawkins in his home at 1212 N. 10th St., Jackson, (Rev. Wm. G. Beam, pastor) at the time of his death.

A native of Smith County, Mr. Hawkins became a public school teacher in 1923, and surrendered to the call of the ministry a short time later. Prior to his retirement, he pastored churches in Neshoba and Leake counties for thirty years and also served churches in Mobile, Alabama, and Hattiesburg. He was a graduate of William Carey College, had studied toward a Master's degree at University of Southern Mississippi, and

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LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

Paul's Strategy For Expansion

Acts 13:14-16, 46-48; Romans 15:18-24

By Bill Duncan

How is it possible that in less than two generations the Roman world was introduced to Christianity? It was reported in Acts 17:6 that the people were saying that the missionaries had come to Thessalonica who "have turned the world upside down as come hither also."

The strategy that was introduced by Paul to the church is the method that the church needs to use today. Of course, the message of Christ was new and the people had never heard the gospel, or of Christ. Yet, there are still millions in our world today that are just like those on the pages of the first century. It is also true that there are so-called religious groups around the world that have never accepted Christ as the Son of God. The gospel needs to be preached to them also.

God has never had but one plan for reaching the unsaved. However, times bring about changes of method in accomplishing that plan. The church has so many wonderful means of reaching the lost with the gospel that Paul never had. We have more people in our world, but we also have more Christians.

The Strategy for a Jewish Community

When Paul arrived in a community, he sought out the Jewish synagogue to worship with those who had faith in God. It was the custom of worship to have reading of the Mosaic law and the message of the prophets. After this, if there were guests they were asked to speak. Paul used the occasion to explain that Jesus Christ was the Messiah that the Jews had wanted.

In Antioch of Pisidia, the Gentiles wanted to hear this Paul again on the next Sabbath. He was encouraged to continue preaching, by many of the Jews and Gentile worshipers. But when the Jews saw the whole city wanting to know about Jesus they began to try to disprove Paul's message.

Paul and Barnabas then turned to the Gentiles because the Jews rejected the message. Paul said that the Lord used the prophet Isaiah to give them the reason for preaching to the Gentiles.

The message that the Jews rejected was the light for the Gentiles. Those who accepted the message by faith received eternal life. This brought the joy of salvation to their despised lives. The Gentiles were saved and brought into the fellowship of grace. The Jews

rejected the eternal life and the fellowship of their fellow man. Both brought great sorrow to the Lord.

After Paul had established a beachhead in the region, he then began to move out with the message that had been preached in the city. It appears that the converts were helpful in spreading the message throughout the region. In the work of God there needs to be a strong base for missions. If the base is weak, then the mission arms will be weak.

The Strategy for a New Field

The field was the world and there were many areas that needed the ability of Paul to establish the work. Paul wanted to avoid overlapping the work of other preachers so he sought with pride—the areas that were hard but needy.

This is the need for our time. It is not right for so many to hear so many times the gospel when there are some who have not heard for the first time. In America we tell the gospel to one another when millions have never heard the message at all.

The message was what Christ had done through Paul. It was the telling of an experience by word and deed. A demonstration of the Christian life with a spoken word is the best message that can be preached anywhere. So often we give the word but not the deed. The deeds were accomplished by the power of the Spirit. It is wonderful to see the acceptance of the message of Christ by the unbeliever. The Spirit of God is the one who brings understanding, conviction, and character to the believer.

A new field takes a lot of time. Paul was interested in visiting Rome, but he was so needed in the new area that he could not go. The strategy of direct involvement with the people is necessary. This takes time and energy. When a person is doing what he should do, then his time is not his own.

The missionary is always looking for a new field. Paul spoke of Spain. This seemed to be a needy area but the work of Christ must be directed by Christ. The search for a new field must be like the call to service—always at his bidding.

Paul's strategy worked. He was successful in winning many to Christ, but he also left strong churches to follow the work of missions. If it was for him it will work for us. Missions must begin where we are—with the man next door or the lady in the store where we trade. Our method is not madness but missions.

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NAMES In The News



POAU Leader Speaks At Mississippi College

DR. DICK HALL (far right), southern regional director for Protestants and Other United for the Separation of Church and State (POAU), visited the Mississippi College campus recently. He addressed a joint dinner meeting of the college's Ministerial Association and Religious Education Club and lectured in several classes in the Division of Religion. Serving as his hosts at the dinner meeting were, from left, Dr. Charles Martin, professor of Spanish and faculty sponsor of the Ministerial Association; Nathan Saucier of Laurel, vice-president; and David Nieman of Hattiesburg, president. Dr. Hall holds both the bachelor of arts and doctor of divinity degrees from Mississippi College. (M.C. Photo)

Devotional

Recovery Of Righteousness

By Bill Nimmans, Minister of Education—Asst. Pastor, 1st Church, Starkville
Psalm 1:1-2

A famous historian lists 19 civilizations which have flourished and disappeared. He points out that only three of these were overcome by outside forces; 16 of them decayed from within. The outward manifestations of this inner decay have been threefold: namely, drunkenness, idleness, immorality. This means that strong civilizations have been characterized by sobriety, industry and clean moral living.

If this be true of civilization it is also true with individuals; personality also decays from within. Men can withstand almost any outward pressure as long as inward character is intact and strong. We break outside because we have first broken inside. What are the roads that lead to the recovery of righteousness?

We must realize that tolerance of sin destroys personal character and undermines good society. We live in a time when sin has become respectable. It has moved out of the gutter into the drawing room; it comes dressed up in the popular novel, seductive advertisement, the technicolor movie.

We need to learn again one of the stern facts of life. Sin destroys! Sin kills character, betrays homes, blights personality, undermines society. Sin is not old-fashioned or out of date. It is a real and living threat to men and nations, and to tolerate sin in any form is to invite it to take over. We must recover a sharp sense of right and wrong.

The recovery of righteousness is dependent on the recovery of godliness. Morality cannot be divorced from religion. When our codes of behavior have no other roots than the habits and customs of the people, we are headed down hill. It is when we forget God that our ethical ideals and moral disciplines weaken, and give away.

God-centered righteousness is not a dull and negative thing. It is the source of happiness and security.

Here, then, is the very heart of our problem and the key to its solution. We need to know that this is a moral universe and that right and wrong have eternal significance. We cannot do as we please on moral issues without paying the penalty in personal unhappiness and social degeneration. Right and wrong are not decided by majority vote.

MC to Host MIT Council Meet

Mississippi College will host the spring executive council meeting of the Mississippi Intercollegiate Council on Friday and Saturday, February 28 and March 1, it was announced today.

Jerry V. Norman of Canton, 1st vice-president and a student at Mississippi College, is serving as co-ordinator for the two-day meeting. He indicated that representatives from colleges and universities throughout the state will be in attendance.

Mississippi College is the central office of MIC and Miss Marilyn Bankston of Brookhaven, a student at the college, is executive secretary. Howard Godfrey, instructor in business and economics at Mississippi College, is faculty advisor.

A single grateful thought toward heaven is the most perfect prayer.—G. E. Lessing

Say "Thank you" to God as though you really mean it.



Rev. and Mrs. Roy Collum, Jan and Bill

10th Anniversary

1st, Philadelphia, Surprises Collums

In a surprise ceremony on Feb. 16, First Church, Philadelphia honored its pastor, Rev. Roy Collum, and his family on his tenth anniversary. He is the first person ever to serve as pastor for that length of time in the 130 years of the church's existence.

Marion Perry, one of the deacons, was master of ceremonies. Tributes of love and appreciation to Mr. Collum and his family were given by the church. Dr. Richard Stribling from First Presbyterian Church and W. D. Myers from First Methodist spoke words of commendation and ap-

preciation. They gave special emphasis to the fact that the love and friendship for Mr. Collum extended beyond the limits of his own church to include the people of their churches and the entire community. Special musical selections for the occasion were favorite hymns of the pastor.

The special message of the morning was brought by Dr. W. C. Fields, the public relations secretary, Executive Committee, SBC. He is a former editor of The Baptist Record, and is a long-time friend of the Collums. He brought warm personal greetings to

Fifty Years An Evangelist

Rev. E. D. Estes, 4838 Woodmont Drive, Jackson, was called to be an evangelist more than fifty years ago.

In 1937 he was called by the Mississippi Baptist Convention board to be state evangelist. "I checked our state annual and found in those Minutes that eighty-three churches in Mississippi did not receive even one for baptism that year," he states. "Before I took up my work as state evangelist in Mississippi, I had received twelve calls to conduct revival meetings, which I accepted. On October 4, 1938, we conducted a two-weeks revival with Shiloh Church, a few miles west of Corinth, where we had 42 additions and by vote of that church, I baptized 38 out in a canal near by. We conducted fifteen revival meetings in Alcorn county, from October 4, 1938, to April 6, 1939, and baptized 122 in the canal or creeks, into the fellowship of those 15 churches. Those were happy days and we thank God for them."

During those winter months, he moderated for Wheeler Grove Church near Kossuth, and they voted to buy a large lot and build a brick church, which they did and went to full-time services, and that church is still growing. He led Antioch to build a new church with Sunday school rooms, and they too, are still growing.

In every church where he worked, he led them to subscribe for the Baptist Record.

All truth is safe and nothing is safe; and he who holds back the truth, or withholds it from men, from motives of expediency, is either a coward or a criminal, or both.—Muller

the pastor, his family, and the church, and commendations for the happy relationship that exists between church and pastor.

The church presented college scholarships of five hundred dollars each to the two children, Bill and Jan Collum, and a color television set to the family.



Rev. Edgar Lee Wright, Meridian, has been called as pastor of New Sight Church, Brookhaven. Wright received a B. A. degree from William Carey College and is presently in his third year at New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Marguerite Ward and they have three children, Steve, Stan, and Day. He and his family will move to the church field following his graduation in July.



Rev. Joe Epting has accepted a call to pastorate of Potts Camp Church, Marshall Association. He and his wife and daughter have moved to the new field. Previously he was pastor of Calvary Church, Corinth.

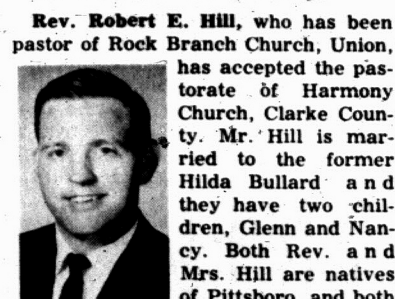


Rev. Kenny Moore, assistant to the pastor, 1st Church, Laurel, has resigned to accept a call to be Pastor of the Bursas Triumph Church, Bursas, Louisiana, effective March 1. Mr. Moore has been with 1st, Laurel since November 1, 1967.



Rev. Millard L. Swinney has assumed the pastorate of Priceville Church, Tupelo, in Lee County. He moved there from the pastorate of Slayden Church, Marshall County, where he had served three and one-half years. He was on the Missions Committee of Lafayette and Marshall Association for three years (was chairman last year) and was Vacation Bible School superintendent for two years. The Slayden Church, under Mr. Swinney's leadership, experienced growth in Sunday school and Training Union. There were 34 additions, on profession of faith, and several additions by letter. An addition was built, with five classrooms, and a large fellowship hall and kitchen, furnished throughout. The budget was increased from \$10,000 to \$16,000, and an indebtedness

of \$19,000 paid off. The Priceville Church welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Swinney and their daughter, Betty, with a supper and shower, and presented to them numerous gifts.



Rev. Robert E. Hill, who has been pastor of Rock Branch Church, Union, has accepted the pastorate of Harmony Church, Clarke County. Mr. Hill is married to the former Hilda Bullard and they have two children, Glenn and Nancy. Both Rev. and Mrs. Hill are natives of Pittsboro, and both are attending Clarke College.

Bebbs Bounds and Ronnie Bounds recently received five-year pins for perfect attendance at Sunday school at Military Church, Sumrall. Rev. Herman McAlpin, pastor. Two others received four-year pins, and many children are working on three and four year pins.

Rev. Edward C. Mowery of Dongola, Illinois, and Hamilton, Mississippi, began as pastor of Loflin Church, Josie, Alabama, February 9. He was a chemical technician when he entered the ministry. He enrolled at Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla. August, 1969.

To Visit BWA President

A Jackson businessman will be a participant in the inauguration of new jet air service from Zurich, Switzerland, to Monrovia, Liberia (West Africa). Dr. Clyde C. Bryan leaves February 27 for Zurich as a guest of Swissair to go on the inaugural flight. While in Africa he will visit other countries adjacent to Liberia.

While in Liberia Dr. Bryan plans to visit Baptist mission work and also have a conference with Dr. William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Baptist World Alliance. Dr. Tolbert is also Vice President of the country of Liberia.

While in Europe Dr. Bryan will visit business associates in Lisbon, Madrid, Paris, and Geneva. He is President of Bryan Tours, Inc., with offices in Jackson, Mississippi, and New York.

Crestwood Calls Perry

Crestwood Church, Jackson, has called a new pastor, Rev. Robert H. Perry. Rev. and Mrs. Perry and their four children began their ministry in the church on February 23.

Mr. Perry is a graduate of Clarke College and Mississippi College. He studied at the New Orleans Seminary, and received the Th.M. degree from Luther Rice Baptist Seminary, Jacksonville, Florida. He is now working on Th.D. degree from the latter.

Perry trusted Christ for salvation at the age of nine and answered God's call to preach the gospel in 1951. He has had many experiences in Christian service in the past eighteen years. He has pastored the following churches since his ordination in 1953: Forkland, Winterville; Parkview, Leland; Emmanuel, Greenville; and New Palestine, Pitsyune.

Central, Brookhaven Calls New Pastor

Rev. James F. Smith has assumed duties as pastor of Central Church, Brookhaven, (Lincoln County.) He fills the pulpit vacated by Rev. Wilson Winstead, who after nine years as pastor of Central is now pastor of Griffin Memorial, Jackson.

Mr. Smith, native of Morton, was reared in Smith County. Following service in World War II, he moved to Jackson. (He first preached in Houston, Texas.) He attended the University of Corpus Christi, Mississippi College, and New Orleans Seminary.

He has pastored churches in Smith County (Rosehill); Kemper County (Union); Bethany in Tensas Parish, Louisiana; Knox in Marion County, Springdale in Tippah County, and Edon in Jasper County. He served as chairman of evangelism in Jasper County Association.

Mrs. Smith is the former Edna Ruth Burton of Union. Rev. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of four children, Linda, a sophomore at William Carey College, Jimmy Ruth, a sophomore in high school, James F. Jr., a high school freshman, and Vaughn Douglas, five and a half years old.

The Smith family was honored following their first Sunday services at Central with a reception in the church fellowship hall.

Rev. John H. Edwards has accepted the pastorate of Rolling Creek Church, Clarke County. He moved on to the field February 6. Dinner and supper were prepared by the church members for the pastor and his family. A church-wide fellowship was held Sunday night after the evening worship. Mr. Edwards goes to Rolling Creek from Hillcrest Church, George County where he served for two and a half years. He finished college on December 13, 1968, at Mobile College and will receive a B. A. degree in May, 1969. His wife is the former Margie Watkins of Dixon. They have one child, Matt, three.



Rev. Maurice F. Wicker, five years pastor of Pleasant Grove, Wayne County began his pastorate February 1 with Leesburg Church, Rankin County. He is a graduate of Grand Canyon College, Arizona, and Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, California. His pastorates in Mississippi, in addition to Pleasant Grove, include Mt. Vernon, Liberty, and Tangipahoa, Pike. He was moderator of Wayne County Association. Mrs. Wicker served as director of WMU of that association, and was a member of the faculty of the Beat Four School of Wayne County. They have three children, Jenny Faye, 15, Gerald, 13, and Troy, 8.



Rev. Gary Cornett, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cornett, Sr. of Laurel, has been called as minister of music of Trinity Church (Jones.) Mr. Cornett is a graduate of R. H. Watkins High School, Laurel, and presently is a freshman at Clarke College. He is majoring in church music and voice. According to the pastor, Rev. Wayne Frederick, Cornett assumed his duties on January 26.



Miss Laura Grisham of Ripley, a 1966 graduate of Blue Mountain College, who majored in Mathematics, has just been notified that she is the recipient of a National Science Foundation Grant for advanced study in Mathematics at Louisiana State University. The Grant is for the study of nine months and amounts to \$3,000. Miss Grisham is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Grisham of Ripley.

Rev. Wendell Gilmore, pastor of Highland Church, Jackson, is guest evangelist February 17-28, at the Grant Street Baptist Church, Corvallis, Oregon, in connection with the Crusade of the Americas, in the Washington - Oregon crusade. He left by plane February 17 for Corvallis. He will be back in the pulpit at Highland on March 2. He received this assignment while still pastor at Westwood, Meridian. Members of Highland, where he has been pastor since April, 1968, have looked forward to this revival and have tried to assist their pastor in every way to make it possible for him to participate. Grant Street Church is one of 250 Baptist churches in the Washington - Oregon Convention taking part in the crusade. The University of Oregon, with 14,000 students, is located in the same city. J. N. Chapman of Highland Church reports, "Highland will give full support to the Crusade of the Americas. Aside from a planned revival here in March, the church's program will include witnessing by dedicated laymen and laywomen, and visitation will be stressed."

Arthur Blessitt, former Mississippian, nationally known for his work with hippies and youth on Sunset Strip in Los Angeles, will be in Louisville, Ky., March 1-16. He will speak at a breakfast for pastors and laymen, at Walnut Street Church, Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor. He will speak on television from Walnut Street's pulpit, in four church-based services, and will direct a city-wide youth meeting. This emphasis on youth is a springboard to the Crusade of the Americas revivals in Louisville in April. Mr. Blessitt was featured in an article in the Walnut Street Church Chimes for February 6.

Miss Emogene Harris, missionary to Nigeria, has moved from Agbor to Sapele, where she will help with relief work in the Port Harcourt area. (Her address in Sapele is P. M. B. 4040, Sapele, Nigeria.) Born and reared in Johns, Miss., she was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1960.

Miss Linda Jenkins on Saturday, February 15, marked the 12th anniversary as secretary for First Church Yavoo City. Rev. James F. Yates, pastor.

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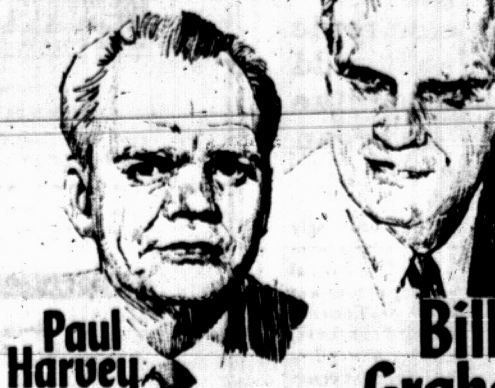
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